

**\*Doxology (As the offering is brought forward)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn - "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" - Blue Hymnal #405**

**\*Benediction**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

**All: Amen.**

**\*The Peace of Christ**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**\*Sending**

**Pastor Luke Schmalz**

**\*Postlude: Lorene Witte**



*Deeply Rooted ~ Future Focused*

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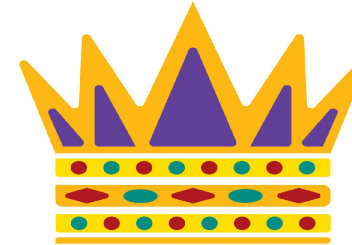
Offering plates are located in the narthex. Today's service will be available at our website - [www.fremontfcc.org](http://www.fremontfcc.org) and also on Facebook and YouTube.

# The First Congregational Church

Your Independent Worship Center



He shall



**BUILD A HOUSE  
FOR MY NAME,**

and I will  
establish

**THE THRONE**

of his

**KINGDOM  
FOREVER.**

**2 SAMUEL 7:13**



**July 21, 2024**

**The Order of Worship**  
**\*please stand, if you are able**

**Prelude:** Lorene Witte

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (Psalm 89:20-37)

**Pastor:** I have found my servant David; with my holy oil I have anointed him; my hand shall always remain with him; my arm also shall strengthen him. The enemy shall not outwit him, the wicked shall not humble him.

**All:** **He shall cry to me, ‘You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation!’ I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. Forever I will keep my steadfast love for him, and my covenant with him will stand firm.**

**Pastor:** I will establish his line forever, and his throne as long as the heavens endure. If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my ordinances, if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with scourges; but I will not remove from him my steadfast love, or be false to my faithfulness.

**All:** **I will not violate my covenant, or alter the word that went forth from my lips. Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. His line shall continue forever, and his throne endure before me like the sun. It shall be established forever like the moon, an enduring witness in the skies.”**

**Opening Prayer**

**\*Opening Hymn - “Christ is Made the Sure Foundation” - Blue Hymnal #403**  
(vs 1,2,4)

**Prayer of Confession**

**All:** **Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your**

**will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Prayer**

**Pastor:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** (Ephesians 2:12-14)

**Pastor:** Hear the good news! Remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**\*Response - Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

**JeLy Bell!** All kids are invited to go to the JeLy Room for JeLY Church!  
(JeLy ~ Jesus Loves You)

**Scripture:**

2 Samuel 7:1-14a, Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Message: “The Lord Will Make You a House”- Pastor Luke Schmalz**

**\*The Apostles’ Creed** (words projected)

**Walk Up Choir - “Sweet By and By” #778**

“Seek Ye First” #713 - Preparation to Prayer

**Moments of Praise & Prayer Requests**

**Prayers of the Congregation**

**The Lord’s Prayer** (words projected)

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## Our Church News

**Altar Rep:** Susan Stewart

**Greeting us today:** Don McKivitz

Next Sunday: Ted Caris

**Song Leader:** Bill Black

**Tech Booth** - Kendra Lachniet, Jeff Stewart

**Happy Birthday to ~**

June Britt, Jennifer DeKleva (23)

**Happy Anniversary to ~**

Ted & Barb Clark (26)

**Prayer Requests ~**

*Sympathy:* The family of Bill Sherman

*Our shut-ins:* Yvonne Lee, Siria Pinnick, Ann Werner

*Health Concerns:*

### This Week's Calendar

#### **Sunday, July 21**

10:00 a.m.      Worship  
11:15 a.m.      Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall  
11:30 a.m.      Hope Initiative- Library

#### **Monday, July 22**

9:30 a.m.      Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall  
10:00 a.m.      Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered  
6:30 p.m.      Executive Council Meeting - Library

**Tuesday, July 23** - *Church Office Close*

#### **Wednesday, July 24**

9:30 a.m.      Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall  
10:00 a.m.      Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered  
6:00 p.m.      Family Night - Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, July 25**- *Church Office Closed*

10:00 a.m.      Christmas Crafters - Fellowship Hall

#### **Friday, July 26**

8:00 a.m. - ?      Life Line Screening - Fellowship Hall  
9:30 a.m.      Men's Coffee Time - Library  
10:00 a.m.      Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

#### **Saturday, July 27**

#### **Sunday, July 28 - Christmas in July**

10:00 a.m.      Worship  
11:15 a.m.      Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall

**Welcome to worship!** We are grateful for your presence - whether you are a visitor or a member.

**Walk Up Choir** will sing TODAY. We will be singing two songs - "Sweet By and By" #778 and "Seek Ye First" #713. Just "walk up" and sing.

**Invite your Friends!** To our Christmas In July worship service on Sunday, July 28. Hand out cards are located on the bulletin table.

#### **Looking Ahead:**

July 26 - Life Line Screening - Fellowship Hall  
July 28 - Christmas In July Worship Service  
July 28 - Special Music by Stacey, Martha & Jack  
Aug. 10 - Funeral Service for Bill Sherman 11:00 a.m.  
Aug. 15 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Women's Gathering at Carrie DeMull's home on Martin Lake - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Aug. 28 - Family Night with a special presentation by Pat Krehn & Rachel Poches

### Requested Announcements

**Have You Taken Control of Your Health Today?** Life Line Screening will be here at First Congregational Church on Friday, July 26, 2024 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these health screenings today. There is no time like the present to take action!

Three ways to register:

- Call toll-free: 1-888-814-0466 promo code HSCA001
- Online: <https://www.llsa.social/hzca>
- Text: the word circle to 216-279-1607